To: Energy Committee Chair

Re: SB 438

We would like to provide our input to the proposed bill that would eliminate the policy of solar net metering, reduce the value of solar production from homes and businesses, impose extra fees on solar customers and fail to grandfather existing systems.

If Michigan is to move forward in renewable energy a level playing field must exist. The utility companies should not be allowed to take advantage of private customers and businesses.

This bill is unfair to existing customers and businesses who are trying to do the right thing for the environment. We as a private customer have made the very large investment of installing a solar system at our home and we bear the cost of maintenance of the system that, if this bill passes, the utility company will be able to take advantage for their own gain.

This bill will also deter any future investors in solar because the return on their investment will not be realized without net metering and the extra fees that will be imposed.

Sincerely,

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